

**State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations**

**Public Utilities Commission**

**Minutes of Open Meeting Held on July 31, 2018 @ 1:00 P.M.**

An Open Meeting of the Public Utilities Commission was held on Tuesday, July 31, 2018 at 1:00 P.M. in Hearing Room A, 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island to discuss, deliberate and/or vote on the following dockets.

Present: Chairperson Margaret Curran, Commissioner Marion Gold, Commissioner Abigail Anthony, Linda George, Alan Nault, Todd Bianco and Luly Massaro.

Chairperson Curran called the Open Meeting to order at 1:06 P.M. A quorum was present.

**Docket No. 4684 – RI Energy Efficiency and Resource Management Council (EERMC)** – The PUC considered the EERMC’s revised Least Cost Procurement Standards submitted on May 18, 2018. After deliberation, Commissioner Gold made the following motions: 1) moved to reject the EERMC's proposed revisions to the Least Cost Procurement Standards filed with the PUC on May 23, 2018, and 2) moved to revise the Least Cost Procurement Standards by defining the methodology for comparing the cost of efficiency and the cost of supply using the benefit-cost framework adopted in Docket 4600 and to direct staff to draft language and solicit comments from interested parties. Commissioner Anthony seconded the motion and the motion unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

**Docket No. 4755 – The Narragansett Electric Co. d/b/a National Grid** - After review, Chairperson Curran moved to grant the Division's request to extend the suspension period for an additional 30 days of National Grid's incentive proposal for the Naval Station Project. Commissioner Gold seconded the motion and the motion unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

**Docket No. 4790 – National Grid** – The PUC considered National Grid’s January 28, 2018 tariff filing request for approval of the Company’s electric tariff entitled Net Metering Provision RIPUC No. 2207. The tariff filing implements the amendments to the Rhode Island Net Metering Law. After review, Commissioner Anthony moved to approve the filed tariff for the Net Metering provision. Chairperson Curran seconded the motion and the motion unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

**Docket No. 4822 – National Grid** – Weaver Wind LLC filed on July 16, 2018, a motion to intervene out of time and comments. The deadline to intervene was June 7. No objection to the motion was received 4822. After review, Chairperson Curran moved to grant Weaver Wind's late intervention. Weaver Wind's comments will be treated as public comments and Weaver Wind will not be allowed to conduct discovery. Commissioner Anthony seconded the motion and the motion unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

**Docket No. 4848 – OnePath Systems, LLC and Internet & Telephone LLC’s (Companies)** – The Companies submitted a joint petition for authority to complete the transfer of the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Telecommunications Services of Internet & Telephone, LLC to Onepath Systems, LLC and

registration of Onepath Systems, LLC's to operate as supplier of telecommunications service. After review, Chairperson Curran moved to 1) approve the registration of OnePath Systems to operate as supplier of telecommunications service and 2) approve the petition to transfer the certificate for authority to operate a regulated telecommunications operations of Internet & Telephone, LLC to Onepath Systems. Commissioner Anthony seconded the motion and the motion passed. **Vote 3-0.**

**Renewable Energy Eligibility Application Dockets** – The PUC reviewed the eligibility applications submitted in the following dockets. After review, Commissioner Gold moved to approve the applications with the PUC consultant's recommendations. Commissioner Anthony seconded the motion and the motion unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

- **Docket No. 4831 – RI Solar 1, LLC's** application for eligibility certification of the RI Solar 1, LLC (26 West Shannock Road) generation unit, a 0.216 MW AC (0.24948 MW DC) solar facility located in Richmond, Rhode Island, as a New Renewable Energy Resource. PUC Consultant submitted a review memorandum recommending that eligibility is granted with a conditional requirement that the Company provide documentation verifying Commercial Operation and that the Company provide evidence of the Generation Unit's NEPOOL-GIS Asset Identification Number.
- **Docket No. 4834 – Hoosic River Hydro, LLC's** application for eligibility certification of the Pownal Tannery Project generation unit, a 0.491 MW small hydro facility located in North Pownal, Vermont, as a New Renewable Energy Resource. PUC Consultant submitted a review memorandum recommending approval of the eligibility application.
- **Docket No. 4835 – Fairground Realty, LLC's** application for eligibility certification of the Kenyon West Kingston generation unit, a 0.144 MW AC (0.189 MW DC) solar facility located in West Kingston, Rhode Island, as a New Renewable Energy Resource. PUC Consultant submitted a review memorandum recommending approval of the eligibility application.
- **Docket No. 4836 – Forbes Street Solar II LLC's** application for eligibility certification of the Forbes Street Solar II generation unit, a 3.0 MW AC (4.05 MW DC) solar facility located in Hopkinton, Rhode Island, as a New Renewable Energy Resource. PUC Consultant submitted a review memorandum recommending that eligibility is granted with a conditional requirement that the Company provide documentation verifying Commercial Operation and that the Company provide evidence of the Generation Unit's NEPOOL-GIS Asset Identification Number.

The Open Meeting adjourned at 1:28 P.M. A web video of the Open Meeting discussion can be viewed at <http://www.ustream.tv/channel/WqQyXw296dg>